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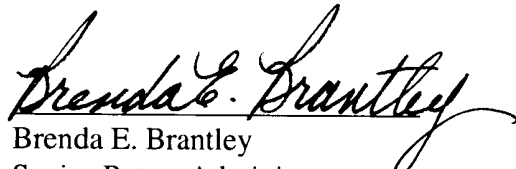
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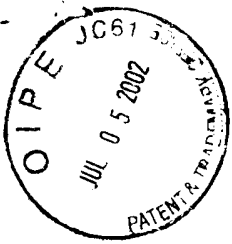
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.97(b)

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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing of a first office action of the above-identified application. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

That each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

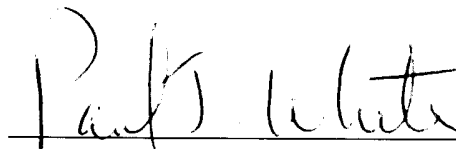
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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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Respectfully submitted,

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